## Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 8 with the following rewritten paragraph(s).

Optical bench 38, Fig. 3 and 38', Fig. 4 include an optical element configured to direct a panoramic view of the horizon to an imager. In one embodiment, optical bench 38, Fig. 3 includes 45° conical mirror 50 52 inside top portion 36 of buoy 12 surrounded by and sealed with respect transparent glass cylinder wall 54. Conical mirror 50 52 may be 10mm in diameter and aluminum coated 1/2 wave. Vertically oriented imager 56 (e.g., a single board color video CCD camera, NTSC format 768 x 494 resolution) is aimed at conical mirror 52. In some embodiments, imager 56 may be an infrared camera for nighttime surveillance or two cameras may be used, a CCD video camera and also an infrared camera.